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In the Application of: Richard E. Olson

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April 10, 2002

Asst. Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Sir:

This response is submitted pursuant to the Office Action dated October 10, 2001, to which a response is due January 10, 2002. A petition for three-month extension of time is herewith submitted, thus extending the due time for response until April 10, 2002. Claims 1-24 are pending.

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application, without waiver or prejudice, as follows.

AMENDMENT

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 5;

Please amend Claims 1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 18, 20, and 23 as follows.

Please enter new Claims 25 and 26 as follows.

Pending Claims 1-4, 6, 8, 10-14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 23, 25, and 26 are presented in their entirety.